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Pursuant to the duty of disclosure under 37 C.F.R. § 1.56, Applicant submits this statement. This submittal is made in accordance with 37 C.F.R. §§ 1.97 and 1.98 and § 609 of the Manual of Patent Examining Procedure. The patents, publications and other information herein are listed below and on the attached Forms PTO/SB/08A & B. In accordance with 37 C.F.R. §1.98(d), these references were previously cited by or submitted to, the Office in parent patent application Serial No. 09/285,558, and therefore copies of the cited references are not required. However, Applicant is submitting currently available copies of five (5) of the six (6) references cited herein. Applicant is currently unable to locate a copy of the "New Oak Communications" reference.

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Publications

Configuring and Maintaining Networks with Optivity NET Configurator 2.0 Manual, Bay Networks, October 1998.

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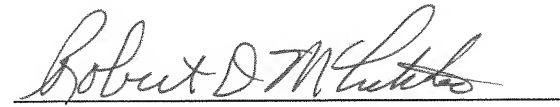
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